SENATE BILL 2191

By Southerland

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39; Title 53; Title 63 and Title 68, relative to pain management clinics.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63, Chapter 1, Part 3, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

63-1-312.

No pain management clinic and no licensed healthcare practitioner who provides services at a pain management clinic shall prescribe or dispense any opioids, benzodiazepine, barbiturates, or carisoprodol, but not including suboxone, to a patient for any thirty day period in an amount that exceeds the recommended dosage by the manufacturer of the prescribed drug.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2012, the public welfare requiring it.